

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Monday, January 22, 2001

TIME: 6:00-8:00 p.m.

PLACE: Bombay House
1615 South Foothill Drive
Salt Lake City, Utah 84108

A G E N D A

Conducting Meeting: Sandra Kikuchi
Minutes: Recorded

Item	Outcome	Time	Lead
WELCOME	6:00-6:05	Sandra Kikuchi	
APPROVAL OF MINUTES	6:05-6:20	Sandra Kikuchi	
1. Special Guests Mary Bangerter-Governor's Office Diane Cowdrey-Administrative Office of the Courts	Presentation	6:20-6:40	Sandra Kikuchi
2. Director's Report	Report	6:40-6:55	Moon Ji
3. Chair's Report	Report	6:55-7:10	Sandra Kikuchi
4. 2001 Award Banquet Committees	Discussion	7:10-7:30	Sandra Kikuchi
5. Asian History Book * Filipino Chapter	Discussion	7:30-7:45	Sandra Kikuchi
6. Community Reports/Updates	Report	7:45-8:00	CouncilMembers

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**ASIAN AMERICAN
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**
January 22, 2001
M I N U T E S

MEMBERS AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Sandra Kikuchi Vice-Chair	Diane Akiyama
Rukmani Jayaraman and Guest	Kuang Lee and Guest
Aida Mattingley and Guest	Sokhany Nhem and Guest
Jini Roby and Guest	Michael Seipel
Suri Suddhiphayak and Guest	

Office of Asian Affairs:

Moon Ji, Director and Guest

Special Presenters:

Mary Bangerter and Mr. Bangerter, Governor's Office
Diane Cowdrey, Administrative Office of the Courts
Barbara Melendez, Immigration Attorney

The meeting was held on Monday, January 22, 2000 at the Bombay House Restaurant in Salt Lake City and began at approximately 6:00 p.m. The Vice-Chair, Sandra Kikuchi, welcomed all present. A motion to approve the minutes as amended from the November 20, 2000, meeting was made. The council voted and the minutes passed as amended.

Item #1, Special Guests:

Sandra introduced and welcomed Mary Bangerter from the Governor's Office. Mrs. Bangerter expressed that it was a pleasure to be invited to the meeting and to get the chance to meet the Asian American Advisory Council. She mentioned that the last meeting between the Governor and the Ethnic Directors was extremely positive and that they plan to meet quarterly or at least bi-annually to discuss ethnic concerns and issues. Also, there is a tentative plan for the Ethnic Directors to meet regularly with the Lt. Governor.

Sandra then turned the time over to Diane Cowdrey, Director of Education for the Courts. Ms. Cowdrey is currently working on providing additional education to the public, and would like to start in the ethnic communities. She will be coordinating public forums in various communities. However, due to linguistic complications Moon suggested that she first put together a forum with the Advisory Council so that they could gather information, ask questions and meet Judges & staff from the courts. This forum will then be recorded and distributed to each council member for translation and dissemination into their various communities. After this, groups could then decide to invite them back to do forums in selected communities/languages.

ACTION ITEM: The council will decide on a date and topics of interest for this forum at their next meeting.

Aida Mattingley then introduced and turned the time over to Barbara Melendez an Immigration Attorney. Ms. Melendez presented information and distributed a packet to the council. (See Attached Information)

NOTE: All other items were tabled until the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 p.m.

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Monday, February 26, 2001

TIME: 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Salt Lake County Complex
2001 South State Street,
North Building, Room 4010

A G E N D A

Conducting Meeting: Sandra Kikuchi
Minutes: Recorded

Item	Outcome	Time	Lead
WELCOME		4:30-4:33	Sandra Kikuchi
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		4:33-4:40	Sandra Kikuchi
1. Special Guests	Presentation	4:40-5:10	
Chief C. F. "Rick" Dinse, Assistant Chief Bill Shelton, Assistant Chief Mac Connole, and Sgt. Jim Hill- Salt Lake City Police Department. (20 minutes)			
Nathan Rathbun, Representative Cannon's Office (10 minutes)			
2. Director's Report	Report	5:10-5:20	Moon Ji
3. Asian History Book * Filipino Chapter Addendum	Discussion	5:20-5:30	Sandra Kikuchi
4. 2001 Award Banquet Committees	Discussion	5:30-5:45	Sandra Kikuchi
5. Community Reports/Updates * April Ethnic Health Summit	Report	5:45-6:00	Council Members

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**ASIAN AMERICAN
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**
February 26, 2001
M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sandra Kikuchi Vice-Chair	Diane Akiyama
Rukmani Jayaraman	Aida Mattingley
Sokhany Nhem	Jini Roby
Michael Seipel	Suri Suddhiphayak

MEMBERS ABSENT:

John Hicks
Kuang Lee

Office of Asian Affairs:

Moon Ji, Director

Special Presenters:

Chief C. F. "Rick" Dinse- Salt Lake Police Department
Assistant Chief Mac Connole- Salt Lake Police Department
Sgt. Jim Hill- Salt Lake Police Department
Nathan Rathbun- Representative Cannon's Office

The meeting was held on Monday, February 26, 2001 at the Salt Lake County Government Complex, Room N-400, and began at approximately 4:30 p.m. The Vice-Chair, Sandra Kikuchi, welcomed all present. A motion to approve the minutes from the January 22, 2001, meeting was made by Diane Akiyama and seconded by Rukmani Jayaraman. The council voted and the minutes passed.

Item #1, Special Guests:

Sandra introduced and welcomed Chief C. F. "Rick" Dinse, Assistant Chief Mac Connole and Sgt. Jim Hill from the Salt Lake Police Department. Chief Dinse briefly introduced himself and his background. He then gave a general overview of the changes he has made during his first 6 months as Chief of Police for Salt Lake City. He then explained the current administration as follows: Assistant Chief Mac Connole-Administration and recruitment, Assistant Chief Bill Shelton-Patrol/Uniform Officers and Community Officers, Assistant Chief Scott Folsom-Investigation and Sgt. Jim Hill Community and Public Relation. The time was then turned over to Assistant Chief Mac Connole. Assistant Chief Connole expressed his desire to recruit more Asian Americans to the police force. He let the council know that his office is always looking for community event where they may sponsor a recruitment booth. Chief Dinse and Assistant Chief Connole also, let the council know of other programs that their office offers and would like to see the Asian Communities involved in. These programs included; special guided tours of the Salt Lake Police Department and City Hall, Minority Forums created to bring communities together with local law enforcement to discuss issues and concerns they may have regarding law enforcement, courses to introduce Utah's laws to new immigrants, and the Citizen's Academy, a program created to help groups understand the roles, rules, regulations and training of law enforcement officers to help dispel misconception and fears that community members may have towards law enforcement officers.

Item #1, Special Guests Continued:

They let the council know that they are willing to work with any community and will do their best to make adjustments to their programs to meet the individual needs of each community. The council discussed other issues with Chief Dinse such as Hate Crimes, profiling, and Asian gangs. In closing Chief Dinse let the council know that if they had any concerns or need assistance they are more than welcome to contact Assistant Chief Connole or himself. Chief Dinse stated that one of his main goals is to prevent misunderstandings between the police and the ethnic communities and made a commitment to the Asian Advisory Council that he or his staff will attend any meetings the Advisory Council might have to address concerns, provide data, or discuss issues concerning their communities.

ACTION ITEMS: Moon strongly suggested that each council member look at putting together a community forum. Sgt. Hill will put together information on the current Hate Crime regulation.

Sandra then turned the time over to Nathan Rathbun, of Representative Cannon's Office. Mr. Rathbun reported that one of Congressman Cannon's goals for this year is to focus on better serving ethnic minorities in Utah County. Mr. Rathbun's main purpose for attending is to introduce himself as a point of contact in Mr. Cannon's office and to let the council know that they can contact him regarding any issues they feel Mr. Cannon should be aware of or if they need assistance from Mr. Cannon's office. He let the council know that Congressman Cannon is currently serving on the Immigration Committee and that one of the major tasks his office is involved in is Visa Work. Jini inquired about criminal cases and immigration. Mr. Rathbun was unsure how his office might help and stated that he would have to look at the individual case to see if anything could be done through Congressman Cannon's office. Diane asked Mr. Rathbun what Congressman Cannon's stand was on changing immigration laws to allow exception to automatic deportation in cases of criminal conviction. **ACTION ITEM: Mr. Rathbun will look into this and get back to the council regarding this issue.**

NOTE: Sandra reported that John would be undergoing surgery this week. The Council decided to send John a get well Gift.

Item #2, Director's Report:

CMAC

Moon reported that the Ethnic Directors presented to CMAC and made two suggestions. The first was that a Statewide Minority Educators Conference be created. The second, was that a single point of contact with the State Office of Education should be developed to enable greater control over data collection.

Item #3, Asian History Book-Filipino Chapter Addendum:

The Council discussed the issue of whether or not they would include an addendum on the Filipino chapter to the Asian American in Utah History Book. The board felt strongly that it was important to take extra steps to maintain a positive relationship with the Filipino community. **NOTE: Moon announced that the office only had about 100 books left.** The Council discussed the issue and possible solutions. **MOTION: Rukmani Motioned to form a committee to re-edit the addendum presented by the Filipino group. Aida will serve only as a content consultant. The addendum will then be made available through the State Asian Affairs office. Also, it will be announced and made available at the 2001 Asian American Achievement Awards Banquet, and published on the Asian Affairs Website. Mike seconded the motion. The board voted and the motion passed.** **ACTION ITEM: Jini Roby and Sandra Kikuchi will serve as the editing committee. The Office of Asian Affairs was asked to generate a letter from the council to the Filipino groups clearly outlining their course of action regarding the Filipino addendum.**

Item #4, 2001 Award Banquet:

The council decided to put together a 2001 Asian American Achievement Awards Banquet. The council discussed tentative dates and decided to plan on holding the banquet on Saturday, October 20, 2001. October 13th was chosen as the alternative date in case of a scheduling problem. Sandra is looking into different venues such as the E-Center. The council discussed possible themes including honoring Asian American Educators. **ACTION ITEM: Council members were asked to think about what committee they want to serve on. ALL COUNCIL MEMEBERS WILL BE PLACED ON A COMMITTEE NEXT WEEK.**

Item #5, Community Reports:

Korean	The Korean community had it's year end party in December. The initial director of the Korean Society of Utah was presented with a Presidential Commendation.
Asian Indian	The Korean community has formed an Olympic committee. Due to the recent earthquakes the Hindu Temple has raised funds for the relief efforts and funds to help build an orphanage for children who have lost their parents in the earthquake. The Hindu Temple will hold another fundraising banquet in April. The groundbreaking ceremony has been scheduled for May.
Cambodian	The Cambodian New Year will be celebrated on April 14 th .
Thai	The Thai New Year will be celebrated on April 13 th and 14 th .

Item #5, Community Reports Continued:

Filipino	The Filipino community had it's first Immigration Law Forum on February 2 nd in Provo. Approximately 200 community members attended the event. Seventy-five Filipino American Youth helped eighty immigrant families settle in Utah.
Japanese	The Utah JACL Chapters hosted a Day of Remembrance program on February 19 th honoring Japanese railroad and mine workers that lost their jobs due to WWII. The Japanese community is raising money to sponsor a performance of the Opera Madame Butterfly. Starting next Monday the National Japanese American Bowling Tournament will be taking place at Ritz Bowling Alley.
Other	Aida brought information on the Days of 47' Parade. The deadline for registering for participation is May 1' 2001. ACTION ITEM: Aida gave the Day's of 47' Parade information to Moon Ji. The Ethnic Health Conference on April 19 th will cost \$65.00. ACTION ITEM: Diane will send information to Tricia regarding tickets to see the Dalai Lama.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:15 p.m.

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Monday, March 19, 2001

TIME: 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Salt Lake County Complex
2001 South State Street,
North Building, Room 4010

A G E N D A

Conducting Meeting: Sandra Kikuchi
Minutes: Recorded

Item	Outcome	Time	Lead
WELCOME		4:30-4:33	Sandra Kikuchi
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		4:33-4:40	Sandra Kikuchi
1. Special Guests	Presentation	4:40-4:55	
Susan L. Ammam Raymond, Aging & Minority Outreach Specialist-Utah Assistive Technology Program			
2. Director's Report	Report	4:55-5:05	Moon Ji
3. Board Business	Discussion	5:05-5:20	Sandra Kikuchi
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guest Speakers• Utah Judicial Forum (January Action Item)			
4. 2001 Award Banquet Committees	Discussion	5:20-5:45	Sandra Kikuchi
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Awards• Program• Operations• Fundraising• Registration			
5. Community Reports	Report	5:45-6:00	Council Members

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Banquet Committees

Award

- Theme
- Awards
- Policy
- Selection
- Plaques/Awards

Program

- Speakers
- Program
- Entertainers

Operations

- Venue
- Food
- Decorations

Fundraising

- Sponsors
- Fundraising

Registration

- Tickets
- Volunteers

**ASIAN AMERICAN
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**
March 19, 2001
M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sandra Kikuchi Vice-Chair
Rukmani Jayaraman
Kuang Lee
Michael Seipel

Diane Akiyama
Aida Mattingley
Jini Roby
Suri Suddhiphayak

MEMBERS ABSENT:

John Hicks

Office of Asian Affairs:

Moon Ji, Director

Special Presenters:

Susan L. Raymond-Aging & Minority Outreach Specialists, Utah Assistive Technology Program
Nathan Rathbun- Representative Cannon's Office

The meeting was held on Monday, March 19, 2001 at the Salt Lake County Government Complex, Room N-400, and began at approximately 4:30 p.m. The Vice-Chair, Sandra Kikuchi, welcomed all present. A motion to approve the minutes from the February 26, 2001, meeting was made by Jini Roby and seconded by Sandra Kikuchi. The council voted and the minutes passed.

NOTE: Due to technical problems the minutes were not recorded. Please find below main issues and action items.

Item #1, Special Guests:

Sandra introduced and welcomed Susan Raymond, Aging and Minority Outreach Specialists, Utah Assistive Technology Program. Ms. Raymond introduced herself and her background. She then gave a general overview what type of services and programs her office has to offer. She mentioned that her office is interested in providing presentations to individual Asian groups regarding assistive devices and how to acquire/fund the purchases of such devices. Ms. Raymond distributed materials for the council to review and asked for suggestions on how and where her office might outreach to best serve the Asian communities.

Note: Nathan Rathbun reported that Congressman Cannon's office representative in Washington D.C. is Thad Bengal (202) 225-7751

Item #2, Director's Report:

Dalai Lama Tickets

Moon reported that his office has reserved several tickets for the Dalai Lama. **ACTION ITEM: Council members should contact Tricia by the following day with the number of tickets they would like to request.**

OCA

OCA is putting on a program honoring Asian American Veterans of WWII and are looking for names of WWII Asian Veterans.

Item #3, Board Business:

Utah Judicial Forum

The council would like to invite community leaders to the first forum, but feel that the Asian American Banquet is the main focus and will look at holding a forum after the banquet. Tentative timeline for the forum will be November.

Utah's Woman Award

Jini Roby was recognized as one of Utah's Woman Award recipients for 2001.

Day's of 47 Parade

Aida mentioned that she had received the registration material for this year's parade. The board will discuss this issue at the next board meeting.

Item #4, 2001 Award Banquet Committees:

Venue:	Sandra Kikuchi Tricia Sugiyama
Program:	Aida Mattingley Rukmani Jayaraman
Theme/Award:	Aida Mattingley Kuang Lee Mike Seipel
Food:	Suri Suddhiphayak
Publicity:	Jini Roby

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:15 p.m.

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Monday, April 16, 2001

TIME: 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Salt Lake County Complex
2001 South State Street,
North Building, Room 4010

A G E N D A

Conducting Meeting:
Minutes:

Sandra Kikuchi
Recorded

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES		4:33-4:40	Sandra Kikuchi
1. Director's Report	Report	4:40-4:50	Moon Ji
2. Chair's Report	Report	4:50-5:05	Sandra Kikuchi
3. 2001 Award Banquet	Discussion/Reports	5:05-5:30	Sandra Kikuchi
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Venue• Awards/Theme• Program• Publicity• Fundraising (Need Council members)			
4. Board Business	Discussion	5:30-5:50	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Filipino Addendum• Day's of 47 Parade• Ethnic Health Conference			
5. Community Reports	Report	5:50-6:00	Council Members

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**ASIAN AMERICAN
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**
April 16, 2001
M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sandra Kikuchi Vice-Chair	Diane Akiyama
Rukmani Jayaraman	Kuang Lee
Aida Mattingley	Sokhany Nhem
Michael Seipel	Suri Suddhiphayak

EXCUSED MEMBERS:

John Hicks
Jini Roby

Office of Asian Affairs:

Moon Ji, Director

Guests:

Mila Baldazo

The meeting was held on Monday, April 16, 2001 at the Salt Lake County Government Complex, Room N-400, and began at approximately 4:30 p.m. The Vice-Chair, Sandra Kikuchi, welcomed all present. A motion to approve the minutes as amended from the March 19, 2001, meeting was made by Diane Akiyama and seconded by Aida Mattingley. The council voted and the minutes passed as amended.

Item #1, Director's Report:

Dalai Lama Tickets

Moon reported that unfortunately the Asian Affairs office was unable to purchase Dalai Lama ticket for the council because he is a religious figure.

Education

Moon reported that the Ethnic offices have established an official monthly meeting schedule with the State Superintendents. He also announced the publication of the Executive Summary on Education, which will provide hard data on how Utah's students are doing.

NAPAH

The group NAPAH (Native American Polynesian Asian Hispanic) is working on establishing an Ethnic Village and Cultural Tent for the 2001 Winter Olympics.

Office of Black Affairs

Montone White has been appointed as the new director of the Office of Black Affairs.

Achieving Cultural Integration Conference

CIAC (Cultural Integration Advisory Council) will be hosting a cultural integration conference on May 16, 2001, at the Southtowne Expo Center (9575 South State Street). The Hispanic Affairs office is spearheading the event. The conference will address the growing ethnic workforce. Sandra mentioned that one of the issues her community has discussed is whether or not companies are providing opportunities for people of color to advance into administrative and supervisory levels. **ACTION ITEM: Moon will take this recommendation back to the CIAC meeting.**

Item #1, Director's Report (Continued):

State Career Service Review Board

There are openings on the State Career Service Review Board. Moon feels that this is a very important board and would like a council member to apply to serve on this board.

The board meets about twice a year. **ACTION ITEM: Moon asked that any council member interested in applying should contact him.**

Item #2, Chair's Report:

John Hicks

Sandra reported that John is doing well and is planning on attending the May Council meeting.

Item #3, 2001 Awards Banquet:

Venue Committee (Sandra and Tricia)

Sandra reported that Tricia and she have been contacting various venues and gathering information on them. *See attached venue information sheet.*

MOTION: The council reviewed the venue options and voted unanimously to schedule the banquet for October 20, 2001 at the Westcoast Hotel.

ACTION ITEM: Sandra will have Tricia finalize the contract with the Westcoast Hotel.

Award and Theme Committee (Aida, Kuang, Mike, Suri, and Sokhany)

Aida suggested a Young Achievers Award for this year's banquet. She purposed that there should be three Young Achievers (High School, Middle School and Elementary Student) from each community based on GPA, community involvement, and bios/recommendations. Mike and Kuang Lee felt that this type of award was too broad due to the limited time left before the banquet and that it is similar to past banquets awards. They felt that the council should stay with the education theme but focus more on recognizing Asian Educators.

ACTION ITEM: The Award committee was asked to meet and make a final decision on the theme and type of awards by next month's meeting.

Program Committee (Aida & Rukmani)

Aida stated that she would like to invite the Governor or Lt. Governor to be the guest speaker. Another suggestion for guest speaker was the Salt Lake's superintendent.

ACTION ITEM: Moon will report on the Awards Banquet at the next G.I.F.T. meeting and will inquire about the Governor's schedule.

Publicity Committee (Jini):

No Report

Item #3, 2001 Awards Banquet (continued):

Food Committee (Tricia, Sandra and Suri):

ACTION ITEM: Tricia will make arrangements for the committee to meet with the Westcoast to set the food menu.

Ticket Committee (Diane): Diane volunteered to be the Ticket committee.

Fundraising Committee:

ACTION ITEM: Moon will look at the Asian Affairs' budget and check with the G.I.F.T. Office on how much they can sponsors for this year's banquet. Moon will report on his findings at the next council meeting.

Item #4, Board Business:

Filipino Addendum

The council reviewed the draft addendum. Aida stated that there were a couple of spelling corrections that needed to be made. Ms. Baldazo stated that she had concerns about how the addendum would be identified. **NOTE: Per the previous council's decision to give permission to the Addendum Committee to make the final decision on the addendum.**

The Addendum committee will make the necessary corrections to the addendum and then send the finalized copy to Ms. Baldazo and the Asian Affairs office.

ACTION ITEMS:

- **Aida will correct the spelling errors in the addendum.**
- **The council will add the title "Addendum to the Filipino Chapter" to the top of the addendum.**
- **The council will add the date April 2001 to the bottom of the addendum.**
- **Sandra will send Mila an official letter and finalized copy of the addendum by Friday, April 20, 2001.**

Day's of 47 Parade

Aida reported that she gave the information to Moon Ji. Moon reported that this year the Parade Committee is planning on having a Cultural Diversity Festival held in conjunction with the July 24th parade.

ACTION ITEM: Moon will find out more about the festival and report on it at the next meeting.

Ethnic Health Conference

Sandra reminded the council that the Ethnic Health Conference is scheduled for next Thursday at the Salt Lake, Downtown Hilton. The main focus will be on eliminating health disparities in the ethnic community.

Item #5, Community Reports:

Filipino	The Filipino community has started its fundraising efforts for the Filipino Peace Garden. The community is heavily involved with new Filipino immigrant placement.
Thai	Saturday, April 14 th the Thai community celebrated the New Year.
Cambodian	The Cambodian New Year Celebrations went well with over 300 people in attendance.
Japanese	The Mount Olympus JACL is having a Fund-a-Rama on April 28 th at Cottonwood High School. The Japanese community held this year's first Peace Garden Clean-up last Saturday.
Chinese	The Chinese community will be hosting a Children's Festival at Copperview (300 West 9400 South) next Saturday. The Golden Spike Ceremony will be taking place on May 10, 2001. This will be the second year that the Chinese community has been allowed to participate in the railroad completion reenactment.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:13 p.m.

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Monday, May 21, 2001

TIME: * * * **TIME CHANGE NOTICE** * * *
4:00 – 5:00 p.m.

PLACE: Salt Lake County Complex
2001 South State Street,
North Building, Room 4010

A G E N D A

Conducting Meeting: John Hicks
Minutes: Tricia Sugiyama

Item	Outcome	Time	Lead
WELCOME		4:00-4:05	John Hicks
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		4:05-4:10	John Hicks
1. Director's Report	Report	4:10-4:15	Moon Ji
2. Action Items	Update	4:15-4:20	John Hicks
3. Chair's Report	Report	4:20-4:25	John Hicks
4. 2001 Award Banquet <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Venue• Awards/Theme• Program• Publicity• Fundraising	Discussion/Reports	4:25-4:50	Sandra Kikuchi
5. Community Reports	Report	4:50-5:00	Council Members

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**ASIAN AMERICAN
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**
May 21, 2001
M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Hicks-Chair
Kuang Lee
Sokhany Nhem
Suri Suddhiphayak

Rukmani Jayaraman
Aida Mattingley
Jini Roby

EXCUSED MEMBERS:

Sandra Kikuchi Vice-Chair
Diane Akiyama
Michael Seipel

OFFICE OF ASIAN AFFAIRS:

Moon Ji, Director
Tricia Sugiyama, Secretary

GUEST:

Kerry Bate, Community Development Division Director

The meeting was held on Monday, May 21, 2001 at the Salt Lake County Government Complex, Room N-400, and began at approximately 4:00 p.m. The Chair, John Hicks, welcomed all present. A motion to approve the minutes as amended from the April 16, 2001, meeting was made by Suri Suddhiphayak and seconded by Jini Roby. The council voted and the minutes passed as amended.

NOTE: To accommodate the Governor's reception for the new Black Affairs director the Asian American Advisory Council commenced the May 21st meeting early (4 p.m.) and ending at 5 p.m., to allow the council time to attend the reception.

Item #1, Director's Report:

Action Item Review:

- Days of 47 Parade
The next Parade committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 24th. Moon will attend the meeting and make a full report at the next council meeting.
- Award's Banquet Budget
Moon spoke to the G.I.F.T. (Governor's Initiative on Families Today) Office and has secured from them, for this year's banquet, the same amount of funding that was given to the council for the 1999 Banquet.

Item #2, Action Items: See Director's and Banquet Committee's reports

Item #3, Chair's Report:

- John Hicks thanked the council for all the support given to him during his surgery and recovery.
- On May 29, 2001, at 4 p.m. in John's office (Risk Management-1520 State Office) John and Sandra will be interviewing the two candidates for the Vietnamese vacancies on the Council.
ACTION ITEM: Any council members who are able to attend are encouraged to do so.

Item #4, 2001 Awards Banquet:

Venue Committee (Sandra and Tricia)

Tricia reported that she is finalizing the hotel contract this week and is currently filling out the paper work for conference approval from the Finance Office.

Award and Theme Committee (Aida, Kuang, Mike, Suri, and Sokhany)

Kuang purposed that the council focus on youth for this year's banquet. The Council discussed criteria, community size, and feasibility. Several concerns were brought up regarding how to pick awardees from the large numbers of excelling Asian youth. Moon suggested using a community perspective (each communities pick exceptional youth) vs. using a school perspective (GPA).

MOTION: Kuang motioned that the council focus on students at this year's award banquet. Rukmani seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion passed.

Other Suggestions:

- Invite educators to be a part of the banquet.
- Students should be allowed to invite an educator that has been influential to the student.
- A section should be added on the application for the student to identify the educator that has had the most influence to them and why. (Contact information should also be requested).
- There should be two Awardees (male and female) from each of the two major school age groups (middle and high school) per community. Thus there will be a total of four awardees from each community. *(Totals: four awardees + four educators X 10 major communities = 80 VIPs)*

ACTION ITEM: Kuang was asked to meet with the Awards Committee to work out the details on the types of awards, award criteria, applications, and application dissemination.

Fundraising Committee:

Moon reviewed the Asian Office budget and felt that the office will be able to finance most of the banquet without the need of extensive fundraising. However, if council members are aware of corporations that are interested or have the capability of sponsoring ethnic events they should feel free to request sponsorships.

Publicity Committee (Jini):

Jini inquired as to what is expected of the publicity committee. Tricia gave a brief outline of the Publicity Committee's responsibilities. **NOTE: Tricia reminded the council that if they make arrangements or purchase items for the banquet, they need to get three bids to satisfy State regulations.** Jini asked if the council was planning on printing posters for the banquet. Moon stated that he has spoken to Gen Fan about printing. Jini mentioned that she will be out of town for the next three months and was concerned that about the publicity committee. **NOTE: John volunteered to be on the committee and Tricia was asked to assist the Publicity Committee.**

Item #4, 2001 Awards Banquet (Continued):

Program Committee (Aida & Rukmani)

John reviewed the suggestions that Aida emailed to the council. She suggested that the council should either put together performance groups from each of the main school age students (elementary, middle and high school) or to use Asian community groups not featured in past banquet programs. **MOTION: Jini motioned that due to time limitation, the council should invite Asian community groups that have not preformed previously to be on this year's banquet program. Suri seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion passed.**

NOTE: Moon as contacted the State School Superintendence to speak at this year's banquet.

ACTION ITEMS:

- **Sokhany was asked to invite the Cambodian performance group to perform at this year's banquet.**
- **Kuang will look into a Chinese performing group and John will look into a Lao or Hmong performing group.**

Item #5, Community Reports:

Filipino

- Three Filipino community groups participated in the Living Traditions Festival.
- The Filipino community is doing well in its fundraising efforts for the Filipino Peace Garden.
- The community is currently working on putting together a traditional Filipino Cultural night to be held sometime in August.
- The Filipino placement program is still going on, with eight families from Texas being placed this month.

Thai

- The Thai community sold food at this year's Living Traditions Festival and raised \$2,000 Friday, and \$10,000 on Saturday with additional amounts raised on Sunday.

Cambodian

- On June 30th there will be a large ceremony in which ten monks from other states will be invited to Utah.
- The Cambodian community is currently collecting money to expand the Cambodian Temple. They hope to raise four to five thousand dollars.

Hmong

- The Hmong community is continuing to grow. There are now 47 Hmong families (250 individuals) living in Utah.

Item #5, Community Reports (Continued):

Korean

- The Korean community held a fund-raising golf tournament last week and raised over \$8,000 for 2002 Olympic support for the community. They hope to raise a total of \$50,000.
- August 15th the Korean community will celebrate Independence Day.
- There will be a Korean American Pride Camp (Cultural Heritage Camp) held during the first week of July for adopted Korean children.

Asian Indian

- The Asian Indian community held another fund-raising dinner for the first stage of the Hindu temple. Approximately 500 people attend. The community hopes to start the ground breaking late this summer.
- There was an Indian classical music and dance program held at the University of Utah last weekend.

Chinese:

- On May 10th the Chinese community participated in the Golden Spike Ceremony. This year 15 community members participated in the reenactment ceremony. The Chinese Consul General attend and will be attending the Global Business Reception on May 22 at the Grand America Hotel.
- The Chinese Women's Society hosted a Mother's Day Banquet celebrating Mothers and had over 200 attend.
- Last Friday Mayor Rocky Anderson announced that ½ of the New Library space will be made available to non-profit organizations. **NOTE: Council member who know of organizations interested in acquiring space should contact Kuang for further details.**

Item #6, Next Month's Agenda:

Mila Baldazo asked to be placed on this month's agenda, but due to scheduling conflicts was asked to attend next month's meeting to discuss the Filipino Addendum.

MOTION: Rukmani motioned that the council finish this issue and remain committed to the finalized addendum sent to Mrs. Baldazo's group. Kuang seconded the motion. The council voted and the motion passed.

NOTE: All future matters regarding this issue are to be handled through the council chair.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 4:50 p.m.

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Monday, June 18, 2001

TIME: 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Salt Lake County Complex
2001 South State Street,
North Building, Room 4010

A G E N D A

Conducting Meeting: John Hicks
Minutes: Tricia Sugiyama

Item	Outcome	Time	Lead
WELCOME		4:30-4:33	John Hicks
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		4:33-4:40	John Hicks
1. Guest Mila Baldazo		4:40-4:50	
2. Action Items	Update	4:50-5:00	John Hicks
3. Director's Report	Report	5:00-5:10	Moon Ji
4. Chair's Report	Report	5:10-5:20	John Hicks
5. 2001 Award Banquet <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Venue• Awards/Theme• Program• Publicity	Discussion/Reports	5:20-5:45	John Hicks
6. Community Reports	Report	5:45-5:55	Council Members
7. Recess Information	Assignments	5:55-6:00	John Hicks

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**ASIAN AMERICAN
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**
June 18, 2001
M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Hicks, Chair
Rukmani Jayaraman
Aida Mattingley

Diane Akiyama
Kuang Lee
Suri Suddhiphayak

EXCUSED MEMBERS:

Sandra Kikuchi Vice-Chair
Jini Roby
Sokhany Nhem
Michael Seipel

Office of Asian Affairs:

Moon Ji, Director
Tricia Sugiyama, Secretary

Guests:

Mila Baldazo, Filipino Community
Nory Narciso, Filipino Community
Luis Paita, Filipino Community

The meeting was held on Monday, June 18, 2001 at the Salt Lake County Government Complex, Room N-400, and began at approximately 4:30 p.m. The Chair, John Hicks, welcomed all present. The minutes from the May 21, 2001, meeting were tabled until the next meeting.

Item #1, Guests: John welcomed and turned the time over to the guests. The guests, representing part of the Filipino community, read a statement regarding their position. They also mentioned that they would be sending a letter to the Office of Asian Affairs regarding this issue. The guests voiced concerns regarding the addendum approved by the council. They felt that the addendum was watered down, that the council did not inform the author of the changes and that the commitments made by Moon Ji and John Hicks were not being met. They stated that from their meetings with Moon and John, that their understanding was:

- A. A draft addendum was to be given to John Hicks by September.
- B. The addendum had a four-page limit.
- C. That this addendum would be made available to the public and that it would be placed in the remaining copies of the book, "Asian American in Utah-A Living History".
- D. The community was allowed to recommend two community members to be considered for the Advisory Council.

John responded that the council reviewed the submitted addendum, created a review committee (not including Aida) and edited out information that was not "new" or that was repetitive. He also mentioned that after the addendum was edited that it was given to Mila. **NOTE: Moon stated that the community can still send in recommendations to his office, for future council member positions and that these recommendations will be considered when the council has a vacancy.**

Item #1, Guests (continued):

The guest and council discussed various concerns and agreed that several misunderstandings regarding this issue occurred. **NOTE: Nory Narciso stated that he would like it to be placed on record that his group was unhappy with the outcome of the addendum.** Diane suggested that the group set up general guidelines to prevent future misunderstanding within this community.

ACTION ITEMS:

- **The Asian Affairs Office will make efforts to utilize its website in a more efficient manor such as;**
 - **Placing all announcements on the site.**
 - **Making council agendas/minutes available on the website.**
- **Mrs. Baldazo, Mr. Narciso and Mr. Paita will be placed on the office mailing list.**

Item #2, Action Items: See 2001 Award Banquet

Item #3, Director's Report:

Day's of 47' Parade

Moon reported that at the last Day's of 47' planning meeting, three major recommendations were made.

1. Aggressive outreach to the ethnic communities.
2. Making funding available for small community group floats.
3. Starting a Cultural festival.

Education

Moon reported on the Utah Basic Skills Competency Test that will be required for students to pass in order to receive a high school diploma. There is a pilot test scheduled for 2002 and will test students on Reading, Language, and Math skills. Currently the Office of Education is looking at placing a large emphasis on an essay portion of the test. There are concerns that this test will create additional disparities in minority graduation rate and may have adverse affects such as students being labeled. Several recommendations have been made and a review panel is being formed to insure that bias questions are eliminated. At this time there is only one Asian on the review panel.

ACTION ITEM: Any council member interested in becoming a board member should let Moon as soon as possible.

SLOC

Moon distributed information and statistics regarding the number of ethnic minorities employed by the Salt Lake Organizing Committee. Moon mentioned that there is going to be a venue tour held on July 6th. **NOTE: Moon asked if any members were interested in attending. Suri stated that she was interesting in participating.**

ACTION ITEM: Tricia will call Sheli at SLOC and make arrangements for Suri to attend the July 6th, venue tour.

Item #4, Chair's Report: John reported that two Vietnamese candidates for the Advisory Council have been interviewed.

Item #5, 2001 Awards Banquet:

Venue Committee (Sandra and Tricia):

- The Hotel contract has been finalized.

Award and Theme Committee (Aida, Kuang, Mike, Suri, and Sokhany)

- Kuang will work with Sandra and Tricia on scheduling summer planning meetings.

Program Committee (Aida & Rukmani)

- Moon reported that the Salt Lake Superintendent is planning on attending.
- The program committee will work with the Chinese, Cambodian, and Asian Indian communities to schedule performances for the banquet.

Publicity Committee (Jini, John, Tricia, Gene):

- John reported that he has spoken to Gene Fan and that Gene will draft up a sample poster for the council to look at. Books were suggested as an appropriate image for this year's banquet.

Item #6, Community Reports:

Hmong: The Hmong community will have their annual picnic at Draper Park on August 19th. Festivities will begin at 10 a.m. and go till 8 p.m.

Thai: Suri reported that the Thai community did well selling food at the Asian Pacific Festival.

Asian Indian: Rukmani reported that the Krishna Temple will have a grand opening celebration on June 23rd from 10-9 p.m.

Chinese: Kuang reported that the Chinese community also did well selling food at the Asian Pacific Festival.

Japanese: Diane reported that the Salt Lake Obon Festival will be held on July 14th and that dance lessons will start on July 2nd. The Ogden festival is scheduled for the following weekend (July 21st). The festivals generally begin selling food around 1 p.m. and the dancing begins around 8 p.m.

Korean: There will be a camp held on July 5th for adopted Korean children.

Item #6, Community Reports (continued):

Filipino: Aida announced that the Filipino performing group has performed in Rexburg, St. George, and at the Asian Pacific Festival.
The Filipino youth are still involved with the Filipino placement efforts.
The community is still working on raising funds for the Peace Garden.
The Filipino community is currently planning a cultural night to be held in August.
The Filipino Catholic Organization has been established.
A Scholarship celebration was held on Sunday at Sugarhouse Park.
There will be a Filipino Golf tournament on July 21st at the Mountain Dell Golf course.

Item #7, Recess Information: John announced that he has been diagnosed with terminal Cancer. He will be entering the hospital on July 2nd to start additional treatments. He stated that he plans to stay busy and will continue to serve the council as chair as long as he is able.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:03 p.m.

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Monday, September 17, 2001

TIME: 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Salt Lake County Complex
2001 South State Street,
North Building, Room 4010

A G E N D A

Conducting Meeting: John Hicks
Minutes: Tricia Sugiyama

Item	Outcome	Time	Lead
WELCOME		4:30-4:33	John Hicks
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		4:33-4:40	John Hicks
1. Guest	Presentation	4:40-4:55	
Josh Shimizu, Utah Symphony Outreach Coordinator			
2. Council Business	Update	4:55-5:15	John Hicks
• New Council Members			
• By-Law Change			
• Next year's room schedule			
• Web updates			
3. Director's Report	Report	5:15-5:20	Moon Ji
4. Chair's Report	Report	5:20-5:25	John Hicks
5. 2001 Award Banquet	Discussion/Reports	5:25-5:50	John Hicks
• Awards/Theme			
• Program			
• Publicity			
• Tickets			
6. Community Reports	Report	5:50-6:00	Council Members

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**ASIAN AMERICAN
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**
September 17, 2001
M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Hicks, Chair (Via Telephone-conference)
Sandra Kikuchi Vice-Chair (Via Telephone-conference)

Diane Akiyama	Gene Fan
Rukmani Jayaraman	Inthy Kosanovong
Kuang Lee	Aida Mattingley
Ngu Nguyen	Sokhany Nhem
Jini Roby	Michael Seipel
Suri Suddhiphayak	

EXCUSED MEMBERS:

Chinh Pham

OFFICE OF ASIAN AFFAIRS:

Moon Ji, Director
Tricia Sugiyama, Secretary

Guests:

Kerry Bate, Community Development Division Director
Darrell Kirby, DCED Communications
Josh Shimizu, Utah Symphony
Barbara Jones, Independent Reporter
KSL News Crew

The meeting was held on Monday, September 17, 2001 at the Salt Lake County Government Complex, Room N-400, and began at approximately 4:30 p.m. The Chair, John Hicks, welcomed all present. A motion to approve the minutes from the May 21, 2001 and the minutes from the June 18, 2001, meeting was made by Sandra and seconded by John. The council voted and both minutes were approved.

Item #1, Guests: Sandra welcomed Josh Shimizu and turned the time over to him. Josh presented information on the ethnic outreach efforts being made by the Utah Symphony. He distributed information packets and provided examples of how the Asian communities might get involved. One such event is the upcoming performance of Sarah Chang.

ACTION: Due to the addition of the Special Agenda Item, this issue was tabled for future discussion. The council will discuss this issue at next month's council meeting and will get back to Josh.

Sandra inquired about the ticket donation that the symphony is making to the Asian American Achievement Awards Banquet. Josh confirmed the donation.

Special Agenda Item:

Moon welcomed the various media attending the council meeting in regards to the September 11th attacks and subsequent backlash facing those of Muslim and/or Middle Eastern decent. Several council members made statements regarding this issue and were interviewed individually by the media.

- Sandra (Japanese Rep): Stressed the need to stay calm and prevent a possible repeat of the war hysteria and racism that lead to the interment of the Japanese Americans during World War II.
- John (Hmong Rep): Need to stand as one, and recognized the need to differentiate between extreme individuals and ethnic groups.
- Rukmani (Asian Indian): Our hearts go out to all the victims. Once we start stereotyping certain races, religions and groups of people we are doing the same thing the terrorist did.
- Aida (Filipino Rep): We support the Arabic community, but would like to see them take the lead.
- Kuang (Chinese Rep): Chinese community is working to take a more positive attitude and work closely with the mainstream population to support each other during this difficult time.
- Ngu (Vietnamese Rep): We need to all the groups because we are all Americans. As a result of September 11th the Vietnamese community will be meeting as a whole group for the first time in over 20 years to raise funds for relief efforts.
- Gene (Chinese Rep): We should work together with our government and use this event to teach our children.
- Suri (Thai Rep): The Thai community is very supportive of those who have been affected by this.
- Diane (Japanese Rep): We need to take positive steps to reach out and support the Muslim community and not just leave the burden on them.
- Jini (Korean Rep): If we engage in violent or unfair reactions against the Arabic communities because of a few extreme individuals then we are taking on the stereotypes and racist attitudes that cause such violence acts. If we don't rise above the level of reactions that we engaged in after Pearl Harbor, then all the suffering that the Japanese Americans went through and all of the agony that we as Americans went through because of that will all be in vain.

Note: A moment of Silence to honor the victims of the September 11th attacks was observed.

Item #2, Council Business:

New Council members: Moon, introduced the new council members (Inthy Kosanovong, Ngu Nguyen, and Gene Fan). **NOTE: Tricia passed out an updated council contact list.**

ACTION ITEM: All other items were tabled until the next meeting.

Item #3, Director's Report: Tabled till next meeting

Item #4, Chair's Report: Tabled till next meeting

Item #5, 2001 Awards Banquet:

Applications for Student Awards:

- Tricia passed out the application for each community. Kuang Lee passed out ideas he had on selection guidelines. The council discussed possible selection guidelines.

MOTIONS:

- Kuang motioned and Gene seconded, that the council adopt Kuang's selection guidelines. The council voted – 3 for, 5 against, and 3 abstained. The motion was defeated.
- A second motion was made by Jini and seconded by Ngu, that the nominations are returned to the communities and that they make their selections based upon the published criteria. The council voted with all but one abstained in support.

ACTION ITEM: The council members were asked to take these applications to the community selection groups and to have the selections back to Tricia by Friday, September 28, 2001, 5 p.m.

NOTE:

- All other items were tabled until the next banquet planning meeting.
- A banquet planning meeting was scheduled for Saturday, September 22, 2001, at the Shanghai Garden (180 West 7200 South) from 9-11 a.m.

Item #6, Community Reports: Tabled till next meeting

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:10 p.m.

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

DATE: Monday, October 15, 2001

TIME: 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Salt Lake County Complex
2001 South State Street,
North Building, Room 4010

A G E N D A

Conducting Meeting:

John Hicks

Minutes:

Tricia Sugiyama

Item	Outcome	Time	Lead
WELCOME		4:30-4:33	John Hicks
APPROVAL OF MINUTES		4:33-4:40	John Hicks
1. Council Business	Update	4:40-5:00	John Hicks
<ul style="list-style-type: none">November Council ElectionsUtah Symphony			
2. Chair's Report	Report	5:00-5:10	John Hicks
3. Director's Report	Report	5:10-5:20	Moon Ji
4. 2001 Award Banquet	Discussion/Reports	5:20-5:45	John Hicks
<ul style="list-style-type: none">ProgramVolunteersTickets (Diane)Gifts (MC, Keynote & Mrs. Leavitt)Other			
5. Community Reports	Report	5:45-6:00	Council Members

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**ASIAN AMERICAN
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**
October 15, 2001
M I N U T E S

MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Hicks, Chair	Diane Akiyama
Gene Fan	Rukmani Jayaraman
Inthy Kosanovong	Kuang Lee
Aida Mattingley	Michael Seipel
Suri Suddhiphayak	

EXCUSED MEMBERS:

Sandra Kikuchi Vice-Chair	Ngu Nguyen
Sokhany Nhem	Jini Roby
Chinh Pham	

OFFICE OF ASIAN AFFAIRS:

Moon Ji, Director
Tricia Sugiyama, Secretary

Guests:

Kip Griffith, BYU Student

The meeting was held on Monday, October 15, 2001 at the Salt Lake County Government Complex, Room N-400, and began at approximately 4:30 p.m. The Chair, John Hicks, welcomed all present. A motion to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2001, meeting was made by Kuang and seconded by Aida. The council voted and the minutes were approved.

Item #1, Council Business: Council elections will held at next meeting.

Item #2, Director's Report:

State Diversity Conference:

There will be a State Diversity Conference on November 1st & 2nd. One of the major issues being discussed will be Immigration.

Education:

Due to the unique make-up of Glendale Elementary (97% Ethnic population and 95% low income students) there will be a pilot program conducted at this school. This program will generate data on those students with GPAs below 2.0 and help develop parent, student and teacher community resources.

ACTION ITEM: Moon will invite the UPASS director to attend a future council meeting.

Reebok

The Reebok company will be hosting a Human Rights Award Ceremony at Capital Theater on February 6, 2002. There will be two Asian award recipients.

ACTION ITEM: Moon will give additional information to the council at the next meeting.

Item #3, Chair's Report: No report given

Item #4, 2001 Awards Banquet:

Ticket Sales:

- Diane reported the following number to Tricia:
 - Chinese 25
 - Thai 10
 - Lao 25
 - Korean 28
 - Filipino 25
 - Asian Indian 2
 - Japanese 4
 - Hmong 8

Item #6, Community Reports:

Korean: No Report

Asian Indian:

- There is a large Hindu Festival Scheduled for October 20th from 8 a.m. till 8 p.m.
- The Hindu Temple groundbreaking Ceremony is scheduled for October 27th.

Japanese:

- The Salt Lake JACL will be holding a fundraising event on October 20th.
- The Japanese Temple will be holding workshops on October 27th from 10:30-Noon.

Chinese:

- There will be a Chinese Community picture display at the Marriott Library at the University of Utah, starting on October 18th and running through December.
- The Chinese Dance group has been selected to perform during the 2002 Olympics.
- UOCA will be holding a membership meeting and elections on October 13th.

Hmong:

- The Hmong community will be celebrating New Years on November 17th at the New Hope Center.
- The First Hmong owned business in Utah will be opening soon. Uncle Thai's Restaurant will serve Chinese, Thai and Pizza. Located at 368 South State Street in Salt Lake.

Lao:

- Over 300 people attended the meeting at the Sandy Lao Church last week.

Filipino:

- Over 800 Filipinos attended the October 7th Conference.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:10 p.m.

ASIAN AMERICAN ADVISORY COUNCIL

MEETING NOTICE

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• Rick Lam, Eric Olson, and Bev Upi- State Farm Insurance			
• Patrick Tan-Utah Legal Services			
2. Council Business	Update	5:10-5:35	John Hicks
• Council Elections			
• Council Orientation			
• Holiday Celebration			
3. Chair's Report	Report	5:35-5:40	John Hicks
4. Director's Report	Report	5:40-5:45	Moon Ji
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Inthy Kosanovong	Aida Mattingley
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Item #1, Special Guests: John welcomed and turn the time over to Mr. Lam, Mr. Olson and Ms. Upi. The guests introduced themselves and provided information on their company. Currently State Farm is making active efforts to outreach to the minority communities. On the National level they have sponsored the Asian American Entertainment Awards (AMMY) and the Asianavalue.Com College Tour. The local office is looking for ethnic events in Utah that they might be able to support. Their main focus is in the areas of: education, safety, neighborhood revitalization, and civic/arts. They are particularly interested in scholarship opportunities and have several large budget pools from which they are able to support local event. However, it is important to apply several months in advance for processing of the requests.

Item #1, Special Guests (Continued): John then turned the time over to Patrick Tan. Mr. Tan introduced himself and Utah Legal Services. Utah Legal Services is a non-profit agency, which helps low-income families and senior citizens with civil and family law cases. Mr. Tan stated that Utah Legal Services conducted a survey of their clients and found that the Asian and Pacific Islander communities were under represented in accessing their services. To insure that these communities are better served, Utah Legal Services has implemented two outreach programs. The first is a distribution of flier translated into the various Pacific Islander languages. The second program is the creation of an Asian Street Law Site in conjunction with the Asian Association of Utah and the Multi-Cultural Legal Center. The Asian Street Law program will be located at the Asian Association of Utah on the first Tuesday of every month from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and will have Lawyers & Translators on staff to discuss cases. This service will be offered free of charge with Pro-bono attorneys. They hope to eventually expand the program to include mobile units for those with transportations concerns, language banks, and a paralegal program. The council inquired about youth intern/mentoring program and about the possibility of community forums to introduce the program to the various communities. Mr. Tan responded that they do have interns in place, but will look into creating similar programs within the Street Law site. Also, he will send Tricia additional information for dissemination.

Item #2, Council Business: Council elections were tabled until the next meeting due to the lack of a council quorum. The holiday celebration and council orientation will be combined this year and will be

Item #3, Chair's Report:

Item #4, Director's Report:

Item #5, Community Reports:

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